

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION:

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 14, line 4, with the following rewritten version:

Among 4800 kinds of gene-disrupted strains of Yeast Deletion Homozygous Diploid (YKO Plate sets: Yeast Deletion Homozygous Diploid complete set, ResGenTM, Invitrogen) used as a yeast gene-disrupted strain, 84 kinds of strains showing a better sensitivity to a chemical were selected (Example 1). Disrupted genes of 84 kinds of strains were classified according to classification of public database: MIPS (Munich Information center for Protein Sequences). Classification of MIPS classifies genes based on functions thereof, and the information can be easily obtained from the following URL:

[[http://]]mips.gsf.de/genre/proj/yeast/searchCatalogFirstAction.do?style=catalog.xslt&table=FUNCTIONAL_CATEGORIES